

Clark County Coroner
1704 Pinto Lane
Las Vegas, NV 89166
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AUTOPSY REPORT

Case Number: [REDACTED]

October 3, 2017

POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION ON THE BODY OF [REDACTED]

Date of Pronounced Death: October 1, 2017
Date of Postmortem Examination: October 3, 2017

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body was received sealed with a seal number [REDACTED] along with the identification tag. The body was that of a normally developed and nourished, [REDACTED], female, appearing about the recorded age of [REDACTED] years. The body measured 73 inches in length and weighed 195 pounds. Rigor mortis had passed. Livor mortis was present posteriorly and fixed. Clothing was consisted of shorts, 2 pieces of shirt, socks and boots. The scalp hair was brown with hair clips. The eyes had white sclerae, pink conjunctivae, and brown irides. The dentition was natural. No lesions of the oral mucosa were identified. There were no masses discernable in the neck and the larynx was in the midline. The abdomen was rounded. The external genitalia were those of a normal adult female. The back showed no significant deformities or other abnormalities. There was a linear scab on the anterior left elbow. There were tattoos on side of the right chest, anterior left wrist. There were scars on the breasts. A plastic wrist band was around the right wrist.

EVIDENCE OF TREATMENT: None

EVIDENCE OF INJURY:

PENETRATING GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE LEFT CHEST:

There was a 0.5 cm x 0.5 cm round entrance gunshot wound on the left chest, 21 inches below the top of the head and 7-1/2 inches left of the anterior midline. There was surrounding purple contusion around the wound. There was no soot or gunpowder stippling noted on the skin surrounding this wound. The wound track proceeded from this injury through the skin and soft

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tissue, lateral left eighth intercostal space, left lung, heart, right lung, lateral right fourth rib, and soft tissue of the right axilla where a deformed jacketed bullet was recovered with an overlying 1 inch x 15/8 inch purple contusion, 12 inches below the top of the head and 7-1/2 inches right of the anterior midline. Associated injuries included hemorrhage along the wound path and bilateral hemothoraces. The wound track was from left to right and upward when the body is viewed in the standard anatomical position.

Additional injuries:

There was a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch x $\frac{1}{8}$ inch abrasion on the right forehead. There was a 2 inch x 1/16 inch diagonal linear abrasion on the lateral left eyebrow. There was a 2-1/2 inch x 2-1/2 inch abrasion on the midline lower back and gluteal cleft. There was a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch x 1/16 inch linear abrasion on the medial surface of the right elbow. There was a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch x $\frac{1}{8}$ inch purple contusion on the posterior right elbow. There was a 3 inch x 3 inch pink contusion on the posterior right hand. There was a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch x $\frac{1}{8}$ inch cluster of abrasions on the lateral surface of the right fifth knuckle. There was a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch x 1/8 inch abrasion on the posterior left forearm. There was a 1-1/4 inch x $\frac{1}{8}$ inch cluster of pink contusions and abrasions on the posterior left hand along the fourth and fifth metacarpal region. There was a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch x $\frac{1}{8}$ inch round abrasion and a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch x $\frac{1}{8}$ inch cluster of abrasions on the right knee. There was a 1 inch x $\frac{1}{8}$ inch abrasion on the left knee.

RADIOGRAPHS:

Anterior postmortem radiographs together encompassing the head, torso and extremities were taken and findings were included in the evidence of injury.

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FINAL DIAGNOSES

1. Gunshot wound to the left chest
2. Abrasions on the right forehead, lateral left eyebrow, midline lower back and gluteal cleft, medial surface of the right elbow, lateral surface of the right fifth knuckle, posterior left forearm, posterior left hand along the fourth and fifth metacarpal region and knees
3. Contusions on the posterior right elbow and hand, and posterior left hand along the fourth and fifth metacarpal region

OPINION:

It is my opinion that death was caused by gunshot wound to the left chest sustained during mass fatality incident.

PENETRATING GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE LEFT CHEST:

There was an entrance gunshot wound on the side of the left chest, below the left breast. There was bruising around the wound. There was no evidence of close range of firing noted on the skin surrounding this wound. The wound track proceeded from this injury through the skin and soft tissue, lateral left eighth intercostal space, left lung, heart, right lung, lateral right fourth rib, and soft tissue of the right armpit where a deformed jacketed bullet was recovered with an overlying bruise. Associated injuries included hemorrhage along the wound path and bilateral hemothoraces. The wound track was from left to right and upward when the body is viewed in the standard anatomical position.

Additional injuries included abrasions on the right forehead, left eyebrow, midline lower back and buttock cleft, right elbow, knuckle of the right fifth finger, back of the left forearm and

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hand, and knees, and bruises on the back of the right elbow, and hands.

Postmortem toxicology report revealed blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.161 g/100 mL as well as breakdown products of marijuana in the blood.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Gunshot wound to the left chest

MANNER: HOMICIDE

Leonardo Roquero, M.D.
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DATE: 12/20/2017